

## Affordable Housing Options Summary

Housing options vary, depending on your qualifications, needs, and funding.

Some programs, such as Section 8, are filled only through waiting lists, which are not always open.

Public housing options on the other hand will always take applications, but do not always have openings.

Best thing to do is to be prepared and plan ahead. Know when waiting lists are opened. Know when applications are accepted.



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How do I apply?**

**WHAT HOUSING PROGRAMS  
DOES THA HAVE?**

**The Public Housing Program**

THA owns eight apartment complexes that have a total of 662 one to five bedroom units. There is always a waiting list for these units, and they are rented on a first come-first served basis. It can take anywhere from a few weeks to several months to come to the top of the waiting list. THA takes and screens applications for these complexes just like any landlord.

Four of these complexes serve elderly persons and persons with disabilities. Four are for families.

**The Section 8 Program**

THA pays part of the rent and utilities for more than 1,000 households renting from private sector landlords. Every month these landlords get two rent checks, one from THA and one from their tenant. These landlords, not THA, take and screen rental applications.



Photo to  
Left: Pine  
Ridge  
Duplex

**Can I Afford the Rent?**

Participants in THA programs pay 30% to 40% of their adjusted income for rent and utilities.

Monthly Income*	Approximate Monthly Payment for Rent and Utilities
\$200	\$60 to \$80
\$400	\$120 to \$160
\$600	\$180 to \$240
\$800	\$240 to \$320
\$1,000	\$320 to \$400
\$1,500	\$450 to \$600

\* It should be noted that monthly income will be calculated based on a formula determined by HUD that takes into account several factors. THA staff can help you understand the process of the calculation when needed.



Photo Above: Deer Creek Community Center

**How Do I Apply?**

You can stop by THA's office at 2010 SE California, Topeka, KS 66607 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. You can also write, fax, email or call THA (785/357-8842 x 0).

The Public Housing waiting list is always open.

Hundreds more households want to get into the Section 8 Program than THA can serve, so the Section 8 waiting list is not always open.



To learn more, contact us at...

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